

## THE SUMMONSES UNSERVED.

## CORDAGE OFFICIALS WAITING FOR THEM.

## CLOSE OF THE MEETING IN JOHN GOOD'S OFFICE—SATISFIED WITH THE PROGRESS MADE.

Several officers of the National Cordage Company for whom summonses have been issued in criminal proceedings instituted by Ernest E. Balch waited vainly in their offices yesterday for the service of the documents. Up to a late hour the man with the summonses had not appeared. The officials involved are J. M. Waterbury, president of the National Cordage Company; E. M. Fulton, sr., the former treasurer; G. Weaver Loper, receiver, and F. T. Wall, director. Ambrose E. Pardy, who is Mr. Balch's counsel, said:

"I have issued the summonses, but they have not been served yet. I could have issued warrants, but that is not my way of doing business. If they don't respond, the warrants come next."

In his complaint Mr. Balch, who is now in the employ of the John Good Cordage and Machine Company, alleges that the National Cordage Company boomed its stock to a fictitious value about two years ago for the purpose of unloading on unsuspecting persons. He asserts that he was induced by the showing the company made to invest, with his two sisters, Catherine H. and Edith G. Balch, \$25,000 cash and to contract for \$75,000 more of the capital stock of the Elizabethport Cordage Company, which was merged into National Cordage. He alleges that the National Cordage Company pretended to be in a most prosperous condition, whereas in reality it was paying dividends out of the capital stock.

Mr. Fulton said yesterday:

"The origin of this suit is doubtless personal animosity toward me. Mr. Balch was in my family five years as a tutor, and educated my son for college. While I was treasurer of the Cordage Company I gave him a temporary kind of employment at the office. Outside of his duties he had little knowledge of the affairs of the company. His holdings of stock are very small, amounting I think only to \$1,000. He refused to sell when the stock was on the rise, and was caught in the decline. The officials of the company offered to purchase back the stock at the price he paid, but he demanded more, and the negotiations were stopped."

The making of certain representations which began in Mr. Good's office on Wednesday was continued yesterday. Mr. Good gave out this statement of what had been effected:

"After perfecting a temporary organization today of the cordage interests represented yesterday at the office of the John Good Cordage and Machine Company by the election of John Good as president, the meeting adjourned to meet again at the call of the president for the purpose of making this a permanent organization. Resolutions were unanimously adopted expressing great satisfaction at the progress already made looking to the formation of a permanent organization of this important industry, the object of which shall be more harmonious action, both in purchase of raw material and in obtaining fairly remunerative prices for the manufactured product."

It was also unanimously resolved that a cordial invitation to attend the next meeting be extended to those interests which were prevented from being present at the meetings held yesterday and to-day, so that all may be fully represented in every action to be put upon a permanent and solid basis.

John Good explained at length the advantages of improved machinery recently perfected by him, which will materially reduce the cost of manufacture and greatly improve its quality. The new organization another element of strength, and although it stands entirely independent yet it has the most friendly feelings toward the entire trade and does not propose to foster any spirit of antagonism.

As told in the Tribune yesterday, the National Cordage Company has had no representation in the meeting at Mr. Good's office. Both sides, however, contend that there is only good feeling between the two following:

The relation between the Good interests and ex-Mayor Edwin H. Filter, of Philadelphia, is not even mentioned in the report of the meeting. Filter was in cordage circles, and previous to the meeting at Mr. Good's office it was given out that Mr. Filter was to preside. Philadelphia's ex-Mayor was not present, nor was he represented, except by Peter de la Roche, who came to the meeting, but did not propose to join any combine formed for the purpose of purchasing fibers or to protect and sustain the price of cordage. What we do propose to do is to buy our own fibers, make our own prices and run our own mills, to cut out middlemen. The use of our name in connection with the proposed combine has been wholly unwarranted."

## THE BRIDEGROOM WAS NOT THERE.

BIS BROTHERS TOLD THE DESERTED BRIDE THAT HE WAS INSANE—SHE WILL HAVE HIM BROUGHT TO COURT.

Miss Clara P. Thomas secured a writ of habeas corpus from Justice O'Brien, in the Supreme Court, Chambers, yesterday requiring the production in court of David Solomon, to whom she was to have been married on Wednesday at her home, No. 237 West One hundred and twenty-third. The invitations for the wedding were sent out and everything was in readiness for the ceremony. But shortly before it was to take place her prospective husband's brothers, Henry and Simon Solomon, told her that their brother had become insane suddenly and that the marriage could not take place. The young woman does not believe these stories, and thinks that the brothers are forcibly keeping David away from her.

The young woman has been an employee of the firm of David J. Solomon, necklace manufacturers, on No. 547 Broadway. The couple have been engaged seven years, but the marriage has been postponed on account of the opposition of the brothers. David is thirty-eight years old now, and Miss Thomas is twenty-five. He finally decided to marry Miss Thomas in spite of his brothers, and the ceremony was to have taken place at the time mentioned. The brothers were on hand and so were those who had been invited to the wedding. But the two brothers agreed that David had become insane and the wedding party broke up.

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